

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Application Number     | 10/786,480        |
| Filing Date            | February 26, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor   | Shin-ichi UEHARA  |
| Art Unit               | 2629              |
| Examiner Name          | Kevin M. NGUYEN   |
| Attorney Docket Number | Q80068            |

## U.S. PATENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Patent Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Issue Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|--------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|---|
|                    | 1       |               |                        |            |   |   |

## U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Publication Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|---|
|                    | 1       |                    |                        |                  |   |   |

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Foreign Document Number <sup>3</sup> | Country Code <sup>4</sup> | Kind Code <sup>4</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T <sup>5</sup> |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|---|----------------|
|                    | 1       | 03/015424                            | WO                        | A2                     | 2003-02-20       | Ocuity Limited                                  |   | N              |
|                    | 2       | 9-73049                              | JP                        | A                      | 1997-03-18       | Canon KK  |   | N              |
|                    | 3       | 9-197344                             | JP                        | A                      | 1997-07-31       | Sanyo Electric Co                               |   | N              |
|                    | 4       | 9-179220                             | JP                        | A                      | 1997-07-11       | Photo Kurafutoshia KK                           |   | N              |
|                    | 5       | 11-149126                            | JP                        | A                      | 1999-06-02       | Matsushita Electric Ind. Co. Ltd.               |   | N              |
|                    | 6       | 2002-207227                          | JP                        | A                      | 2002-07-26       | Matsushita Electric Ind. Co. Ltd.               |   | N              |
|                    | 7       | 2002-265420                          | JP                        | A                      | 2002-12-18       | Toray Industries                                |   | N              |

## NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published. | T <sup>5</sup> |
|--------------------|---------|--|----------------|
|                    | 1       |  |                |

## EXAMINER SIGNATURE

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Examiner Signature | Date Considered |
|--------------------|-----------------|

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.USPTO.GOV](http://www.USPTO.GOV) or MPEP 901.04. 2 Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 3 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 4 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 5 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.